

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABASH COUNTY

A meeting of the Board of Education (the "Board") of the Metropolitan School District of Wabash County, Indiana ("School District"), was held at the Administration Building, 204 N. 300 W., Wabash, IN, on July 8, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. (EST), pursuant to notice duly given to all members in accordance with I.C. 20-26-4-1, I.C. 20-26-4-3, I.C. 5-14-1.5 and the rules of the Board.

MSDWC School Board met in regular session on July 8, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the Central Office. We will continue to livestream the meeting on Facebook Live.

Scott Haupert, Board President, called the meeting to order. Dr. Chris Kuhn, Superintendent, and Travis Hueston, Chief Financial Officer were present. Absent was Tim Drake, Chief Academic Officer. On call of the roll, the members of the Board were shown to be present as follows: Kevin Bowman, Christian Rosen, and Jeff Porter. Absent was Matt Driscoll. Also present were Sherry Ridgeway, Brian Ridgeway, Gary Dawson, and Frakie Dawson.

Future Board meetings are scheduled for July 22, 2025, 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building (**Meeting Canceled**), August 12, 2025, 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building, and August 26, 2025, 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building.

Public Recognition:

The recommendation to approve the \$1,465.00 donation from Rhett Mast for a Track Record Board for Northfield was approved upon a motion made by Jeff Porter and a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$500.00 donation from McKillip Seed for Youth Football (Northfield) was approved upon a motion made by Jeff Porter and a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$100.00 donation from Charles and Sharon Siddall for Youth Football (Northfield) was approved upon a motion made by Jeff Porter and a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$15,475.00 (list attached of donors) for Youth Football (Northfield) was approved upon a motion made by Jeff Porter and a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

School Recognition:

Dr. Chris Kuhn, Superintendent wished retired Superintendent Mike Keaffaber the best of luck in his retirement.

Dr. Kuhn welcomed Travis Hueston, the new Chief Financial Officer.

Dr. Kuhn recognized all the staff and students who were a part of the 2025 Summer School. He shared there were 162 students, 16 students in the Summer Ag program, 26 students who took part in the Summer Read, 50 students in credit recovery or course advancement, and 70 students who participated in Minds In Action trips.

Public Comment: (Agenda Items Only)

No comments were made.

The Regular Meeting Minutes from June 10, 2025, were approved upon a motion made by Jeff Porter, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

Claims were approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

Payroll #23 & #24 were approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

Financial Summary:

Travis Hueston shared the end-of-month report for June.

Travis Hueston shared the Cash Flow for the Educational Fund and Operations Fund.

Personnel Recommendations:

The recommendation to approve the resignation of Bailey Trump, Teacher, Metro North Elementary, effective June 10, 2025; Lisa Schaaf, Paraprofessional, Southwood Elementary, effective immediately; Brett Evans, Teacher, Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective June 30, 2025; Jessika Florek, Paraprofessional, Sharp Creek Elementary, effective immediately were approved upon a motion made by Christian Rosen, a second by Jeff Porter, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the employment of Pasty Arwood, Paraprofessional, Southwood Elementary, effective August 13, 2025; Deziree Garrett, Paraprofessional, Sharp Creek Elementary, effective August 13, 2025; Dustin Harlan, Custodian, Southwood Jr/Sr High School, effective July 7, 2025; Aidan Hosler, P. E. Teacher, Southwood Jr/Sr High School, effective August 11, 2025; Jody Olinger, Teacher, White's Jr/Sr High School, effective July 25, 2025; Jill Glasscock, Substitute Teacher, for the 2025-2026 school year; Carolyn Satterfield, PK Classroom Instructor, Southwood Elementary, effective August 11, 2025; Nita Lynette Mauger, Library Aide, Sharp Creek Elementary, effective August 12, 2025; Kami Frank, Substitute Teacher, for the 2025-2026 school year; Kimberly MacPhee, Science Teacher, Southwood Jr/Sr High School; effective August 11, 2025, were approved upon a motion made by Christian Rosen, a second by Jeff Porter, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the transfer of Cassandra Harrell, transferring from PK teacher to Special Education Teacher at Metro North Elementary, effective August 11, 2025, was approved upon a motion made by Christian Rosen, a second by Jeff Porter, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the 2025 Southwood Fall Coaches (all effective for the season): Tonya Boone-Head Cross Country; Brittany Blocker-Head Cheer; Corynn Hill-Assistant Cheer; Katelyn Gribben-JH Cheer; Aiden Hosler-Assistant Football; Jordan Boyer-Head Girls Golf; Doug Chenoweth-Assistant Girls Golf; Tom Finicle-Head Volleyball; Caryn Tinkle-Assistant Volleyball; Bailey Winget-Assistant Volleyball were approved upon a motion made by Christian Rosen, a second by Jeff Porter, and unanimously carried.

Heartland Career Center Report:

No report.

Superintendent's Report:

Dr. Kuhn reported that Weigand Construction will be in attendance at the August 12, 2025, Board meeting to give an update on the Northfield Elementary project and after the meeting the Board Members will tour the facility.

He reminded everyone that the school online registration will open July 23, 2025 through July 28, 2025. For those parents/guardians who do not have the internet, they are able to go into the elementary schools, 10:00 am-6:00 pm on July 28, 2025.

Dr. Kuhn spoke about approximately 44 new or revised school laws which will have an impact on us. Some of those are regarding absences, handbook changes and the teacher appreciation grant will go away so we will not need this policy, and other policies may need revised.

Curriculum Report:

Dr. Kuhn shared for Mr. Drake that iRead and AP preliminary scores are out but not released yet for the public.

New Business:

Dr. Kuhn asked the Board to vote on rejoining the Social Media Action Suit. After discussion on this, the Board took a vote, and it was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Jeff Porter, and unanimously carried.

Unfinished Business:

No unfinished business.

Board Policy:

No Board Policies.

Public Comment (All Items):

No comments.

Items from Board Members:

No items from the Board.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

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OF WABASH COUNTY, INDIANA

Scott Haupert, PRESIDENT

Christian Rosen, VICE-PRESIDENT

Matt Driscoll, BOARD MEMBER

Jeff Porter, BOARD MEMBER

ATTEST:

Kevin Bowman, SECRETARY